Survey on Rural Electrification

151. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any survey on the number of villages in each state not yet provided with electricity;

(b) if so, the state-wise details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by the Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) to provide electricity to those villages; and

(d) the details of the target fixed by REC for the purpose?

THE MINISITER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) and (b) As per available information, as on 31st March, 1996 80,021 villages remain to be electrified in the country. State-wise details is given in the Statement. *(See* below)

(c) and (d) Rural Electrification is a continuous programme. Physical and financial targets for the programme are fixed annually by the Planning Commission in consultation with the State Government/State Electricity Boards for the State as a whole after taking into account the availability of funds and other inputs. A part of the funds to the State Governments are routed though Rural Electrification Corporation (REC). REC also closely monitors the programme under their financing. In 1995-96 REC was targetted to electrify 3562 villages which it was able to achieve.

Statement

Villages yet to be provided electricity as on March, 1996 (as per 1981 census)

S. No.	States	Villages yet to be electrified (Provisional)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	@
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	987
3.	Assam	108
4.	Bihar	19741
5.	Delhi	@
6.	Goa	@
7.	Gujarat	@
8.	Haryana	@
9.	Himachal Pradesh	@
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	203
11.	Karnataka	@
12.	Kerala	@
13.	Madhya Pradesh	3611
14.	Maharashtra	@
15.	Manipur	19
16.	Meghalaya	2495
17,	Mizoram	—6*
18.	Nagaland	@
19.	Orissa	12682
20.	Punjab	@
21.	Rajasthan	4348
22.	Sikkim	@
23.	Tamil Nau	@
24.	Uttar Pradesh	25927
25.	Tripura+	1087
26.	West Bengal	8819
	Total	80021
	UTs	
	Grand Total	80021

(@) 100% electrified States, balance villages not feasible for electrification.

(+) As per 1971 census, there are 1087 villages yet to be electrified.

(*) Data under reconciliation.

Private investment in Electric Transmission and Distribution

152. DR. B.B. DUTTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have finalised any guidelins for private investment in electricity transmission and distribution network;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and